

Delta Workforce Program



WHAT DOES THIS PROGRAM DO?

The Delta Workforce Program (DWP) is an initiative designed to build long-term community capacity and increase economic competitiveness across the Mississippi River Delta region and Alabama Black Belt by investing in industry-driven workforce training and education. In partnership with the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) and the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC),

technical assistance workshops/webinars, more than \$34 million in grants, and post-award technical assistance will be made available to eligible entities within the Delta and Appalachian regions.

DRA DELTA WORKFORCE GRANT PROGRAM

Total Program Funding: \$1.5 million

Award Ceiling: \$200,000

Award Floor: \$50,000

Eligible Applicants include:

- State and local governments (state agencies, counties/parishes, cities/towns)
- Other public bodies
- Non-profit entities
- Local development districts

All eligible applicants must apply for projects that operate in or are serving residents and communities within the 252 counties and parishes of the DRA region.

U.S. DOL WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITY IN RURAL COMMUNITIES (WORC) GRANT PROGRAM

Total Program Funding: \$34.2 million

Award Ceiling: \$1.5 million

Award Floor: \$150,000

Eligible Applicants include:

- State and county governments
- City or township governments
- Special district governments
- Regional organizations
- Independent school districts
- Public/state-controlled, and private institutions of higher education

Total program funding is divided evenly among Delta and Appalachian applicants, making available approximately \$17 million for Delta grantees.

Successful applicants will receive intensive technical assistance from select partners and DRA staff.



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IMPORTANT DATES

Spring	DOL-ETA publishes WORC Grants Application on grants.gov
Summer	DOL-ETA closes WORC Grants Application Cycle DRA publishes Delta Workforce Grants Application Cycle
Fall	DRA closes Delta Workforce Grants Application Cycle DOL-ETA awards WORC Grants DRA awards Delta Workforce Grants

WHO CAN ANSWER QUESTIONS?

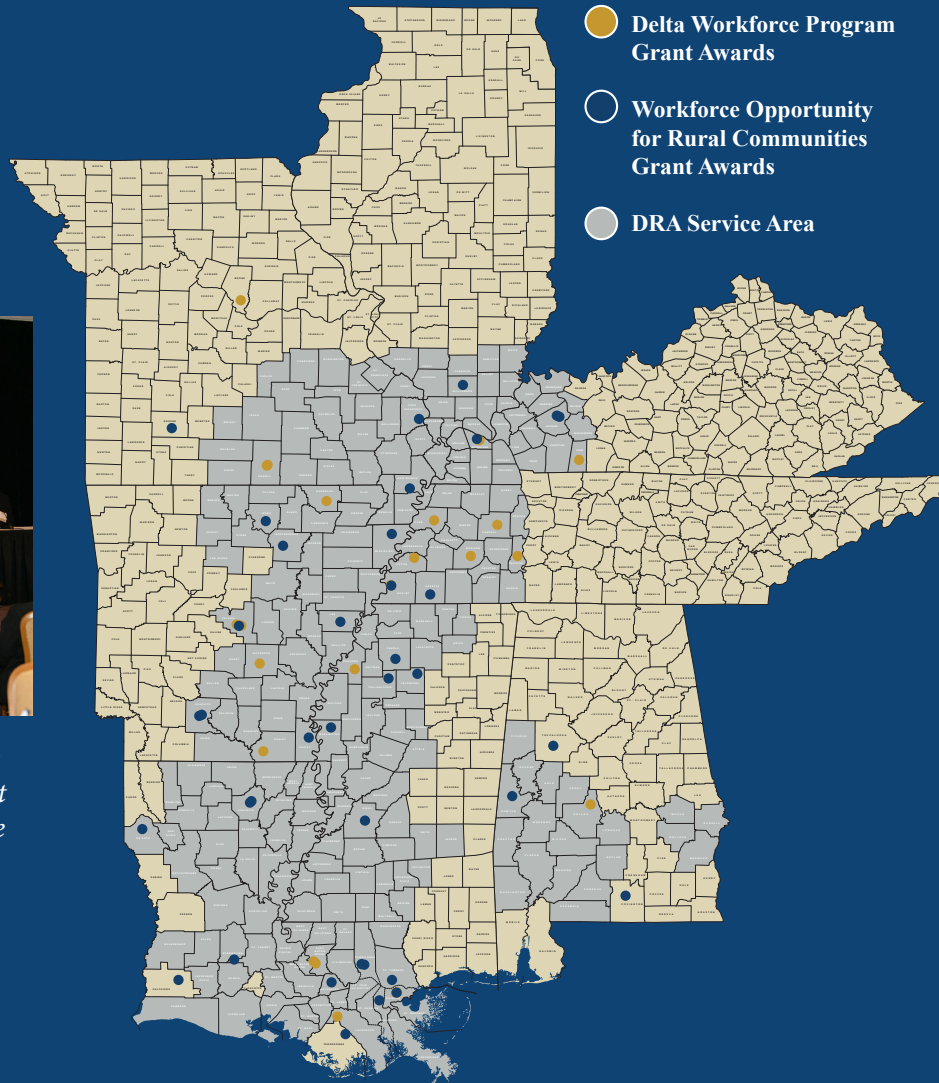
Contact the Delta Workforce Team at workforce@dra.gov

For more information, visit dra.gov/workforce.



"Rural communities face a unique set of challenges when it comes to promoting economic development and meeting workforce needs. The Delta Workforce Program [provides] targeted support to strengthen local economies and help people get the skills they need to compete."

- U.S. Senator Roy Blunt, MO



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